Rule 9. Default judgment.

- (a) If defendant fails to appear at the time set for trial, the court may grant plaintiff judgment in an amount not to exceed the amount requested in plaintiff's affidavit.
- (b) If defendant has filed a counter affidavit and plaintiff fails to appear at the time set for trial, the court may grant defendant judgment in an amount not to exceed the amount requested in defendant's counter affidavit.
- (c) Any party granted a default judgment shall promptly send a copy of a completed Notice of Default judgment (Form H) to the other party and file the original with the court. The appearing party shall serve the default judgment on the non-appearing party.
- (d) In an interpleader action, if a defendant fails to appear, a default judgment may be entered against the non-appearing defendant.